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**WASHINGTON, DC** - U.S. Congressman Mike Pence issued the following statement after he and House Foreign Affairs Chairman Howard Berman (D-CA) joined together to introduce a resolution in support of the Iranian dissidents:

"This is an important moment for the Congress, our country and the people of Iran," said Pence.

"For days hundreds of thousands of dissidents have taken to the streets of Iran in support of freedom and democracy. The American cause is freedom and in that cause the American people will not be silent.

"I am honored to join Chairman Berman in offering this important resolution. The joint resolution I and Chairman Berman introduced will give voice to countless Americans who stand with the Iranian dissidents as they stand up for freedom. I urge Members on both side of the aisle to support this important resolution and I hope for its immediate consideration."